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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DAY MESSAGE

REF: KINSHASA 9594

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT  
MOBUTU AT APPROPRIATE TIME PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 24.

QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON THE OCCASION OF THE  
ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC AND YOUR  
ACCESSION TO THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, I EXTEND TO YOU  
AND TO THE PEOPLE OF ZAIRE MY CONGRATULATIONS AND  
GOOD WISHES.

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ON THIS SPECIAL DAY THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE CAN TAKE GREAT

PRIDE IN THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE PAST ELEVEN YEARS. ZAIRES HAS DEVELOPED ITS SOCIETY, SEEKING TO DO SO BY FINDING METHODS UNIQUELY ZAIREAN. ZAIRES HAS ACHIEVED A LEADING ROLE AMONG AFRICAN NATIONS IN THEIR SEARCH FOR AFRICAN SOLUTIONS TO AFRICAN PROBLEMS. ZAIRES HAS EARNED A POSITION OF RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY IN WORLD FORUMS BY MAINTAINING THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-ALIGNMENT.

ZAIRES CAN BE TRULY PROUD THAT THESE AND OTHER IMPORTANT

ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE LAID SO SOLID A FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE OF THEIR COUNTRY. I AM PLEASED THAT OUR TWO NATIONS HAVE COOPERATED SO CLOSELY DURING THESE YEARS OF ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE WARM AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS WHICH EXIST BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ZAIRES WILL CONTINUE TO GROW IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE I EXTEND TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF ZAIRES BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED PEACE AND PROGRESS. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE

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